Saskatchewan Labour Force Statistics

June 2015

UNADJUSTED DATA

According to the Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey during the week covering June 14th to 20th, 2015, there were 589,100 persons employed in Saskatchewan. This is an increase of 6,400 from May 2015 and 7,500 more than the number employed in June 2014.

Agricultural employment was 40,400 persons in June 2015, down 2,500 from the May 2015 level and 4,800 less than the June 2014 agricultural employment level of 45,200. Non-agricultural employment was 548,700 persons in June 2015. This is an increase of 8,900 from the May 2015 non-agriculture employment level of 539,800 and 12,300 more than June 2014.

The Saskatchewan unemployment rate for June 2015 was 4.2 percent. This is a decrease of 1.1 percentage points from the May 2015 rate of 5.3 percent but 0.9 percentage points higher than the June 2014 level of 3.3 percent.

Saskatchewan's labour force decreased by 400 to 614,900 persons in June 2015 from 615,300 persons in May 2015. This is 13,700 more than the June 2014 labour force of 601,200 persons.

The Saskatchewan participation rate fell 0.1 percentage points to 71.4 percent in June 2015 from 71.5 percent in May 2015. The June 2014 participation rate for Saskatchewan was 70.6 percent.

There were 25,800 persons unemployed in Saskatchewan during June 2015. This is a decrease of 6,800 from May 2015 but is 6,200 more than the number unemployed in June 2014.

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

On a seasonally adjusted basis there were 576,100 persons employed in Saskatchewan in June 2015, up 700 from the May 2015 level of 575,400 and up 7,100 from the June 2014 employment level of 569,000 persons.

The Saskatchewan seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for June 2015 was 4.7 percent. This is a decrease of 0.2 percentage points from the May 2015 rate of 4.9 percent and 0.9 percentage points higher than the June 2014 rate of 3.8 percent.

CANADIAN DATA

Canadian employment increased by 204,100 persons in June 2015 to 18,314,600 persons from 18,110,500 persons in May 2015. In June 2014, there were 18,141,900 persons employed in Canada.

Canada's unemployment rate decreased 0.6 percentage points in June 2015 to 6.5 percent from the May 2015 level of 7.1 percent. In June 2014, Canada's unemployment rate was 6.7 percent.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for Canada was 6.8 percent in June 2015. This is the same as in May 2015 but 0.2 percentage points lower than the June 2014 level of 7.0 percent.

TABLE 1

SUMMARY LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS, CANADA AND THE PRAIRIE PROVINCES

	June 2015	May 2015	June 2014	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
CANADA					
Labour Force ('000)	19,581.9	19,484.2	19,446.9	97.7	135.0
Employed ('000)	18,314.6	18,110.5	18,141.9	204.1	172.7
Full-Time ('000)	15,080.0	14,671.9	14,849.1	408.1	230.9
Part-Time ('000)	3,234.6	3,438.6	3,292.9	-204.0	-58.3
Unemployed ('000)	1,267.3	1,373.7	1,305.0	-106.4	-37.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.5	7.1	6.7	-0.6	-0.2
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	6.8	6.8	7.0	0.0	-0.2
Participation Rate (%)	66.9	66.7	67.1	0.2	-0.2
SASKATCHEWAN					
Labour Force ('000)	614.9	615.3	601.2	-0.4	13.7
Employed ('000)	589.1	582.7	581.6	6.4	7.5
Full-Time ('000)	488.6	484.2	487.7	4.4	0.9
Part-Time ('000)	100.5	98.5	93.9	2.0	6.6
Unemployed ('000)	25.8	32.6	19.6	-6.8	6.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.2	5.3	3.3	-1.1	0.9
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	4.7	4.9	3.8	-0.2	0.9
Participation Rate (%)	71.4	71.5	70.6	-0.1	0.8
ALBERTA					
Labour Force ('000)	2,476.7	2,479.0	2,429.5	-2.3	47.2
Employed ('000)	2,338.3	2,324.3	2,317.0	14.0	21.3
Full-Time ('000)	1,962.8	1,943.9	1,951.4	18.9	11.4
Part-Time ('000)	375.5	380.4	365.6	-4.9	9.9
Unemployed ('000)	138.5	154.7	112.6	-16.2	25.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.6	6.2	4.6	-0.6	1.0
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	5.7	5.8	4.8	-0.1	0.9
Participation Rate (%)	73.8	74.1	74.0	-0.3	-0.2
MANITOBA					
Labour Force ('000)	679.3	679.5	667.9	-0.2	11.4
Employed ('000)	646.1	640.1	636.2	6.0	9.9
Full-Time ('000)	528.0	518.5	520.3	9.5	7.7
Part-Time ('000)	118.0	121.6	115.9	-3.6	2.1
Unemployed ('000)	33.2	39.4	31.7	-6.2	1.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.9	5.8	4.7	-0.9	0.2
Unemployment Rate (%) Seasonally Adjusted	5.3	5.7	5.1	-0.4	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	68.9	68.9	68.4	0.0	0.5

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*
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TABLE 2

SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

	June 2015	May 2015	June 2014	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
LABOUR FORCE ('000)	614.9	615.3	601.2	-0.4	13.7
Male	333.9	332.4	329.2	1.5	4.7
Female	281.0	282.9	271.9	-1.9	9.1
15-24 Years of Age	100.1	99.8	98.8	0.3	1.3
25+ Years of age	514.8	515.5	502.4	-0.7	12.4
EMPLOYED ('000)	589.1	582.7	581.6	6.4	7.5
Male	318.3	315.4	318.9	2.9	-0.6
Female	270.8	267.2	262.7	3.6	8.1
15-24 Years of Age	91.1	88.1	92.0	3.0	-0.9
25+ Years of age	498.0	494.5	489.6	3.5	8.4
UNEMPLOYED ('000)	25.8	32.6	19.6	-6.8	6.2
Male	15.6	16.9	10.3	-1.3	5.3
Female	10.2	15.7	9.3	-5.5	0.9
15-24 Years of Age	9.0	11.7	6.7	-2.7	2.3
25+ Years of age	16.8	20.9	12.8	-4.1	4.0
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	4.2	5.3	3.3	-1.1	0.9
Male	4.7	5.1	3.1	-0.4	1.6
Female	3.6	5.5	3.4	-1.9	0.2
15-24 Years of Age	9.0	11.7	6.8	-2.7	2.2
25+ Years of age	3.3	4.1	2.5	-0.8	0.8
PARTICIPATION RATE (%)	71.4	71.5	70.6	-0.1	0.8
Male	76.9	76.7	76.7	0.2	0.2
Female	65.8	66.3	64.3	-0.5	1.5
15-24 Years of Age	73.2	72.8	71.2	0.4	2.0
25+ Years of age	71.1	71.3	70.4	-0.2	0.7

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TABLE 3

SASKATCHEWAN EMPLOYED LABOUR FORCE

	June 2015	May 2015	June 2014	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
INDUSTRY ('000)					
Agriculture	40.4	42.9	45.2	-2.5	-4.8
Forestry, Fishing, Mining and Oil & Gas	25.6	26.0	27.4	-0.4	-1.8
Utilities	6.4	6.9	6.1	-0.5	0.3
Construction	60.7	57.8	60.9	2.9	-0.2
Manufacturing	26.5	25.3	30.1	1.2	-3.6
Trade	86.0	80.8	84.0	5.2	2.0
Transportation and Warehousing	31.1	30.6	29.0	0.5	2.1
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate & Leasing	30.1	30.9	30.4	-0.8	-0.3
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	24.9	24.0	26.9	0.9	-2.0
Business, Building and Other Support Services	15.4	15.3	14.4	0.1	1.0
Educational Services	47.7	48.2	45.4	-0.5	2.3
Health Care and Social Assistance	80.1	79.9	73.7	0.2	6.4
Information, Culture and Recreation	20.0	18.9	17.1	1.1	2.9
Accommodation and Food Services	39.1	39.0	35.6	0.1	3.5
Other Services	26.2	26.5	24.8	-0.3	1.4
Public Administration	29.0	29.7	30.4	-0.7	-1.4
Total	589.1	582.7	581.6	6.4	7.5
HOURS OF WORK ('000)					
Full-Time	488.6	484.2	487.7	4.4	0.9
Part-Time	100.5	98.5	93.9	2.0	6.6
CLASS OF WORKER ('000)					
Employees	486.1	479.2	469.2	6.9	16.9
Public Sector	147.9	147.8	138.5	0.1	9.4
Private Sector	338.2	331.3	330.7	6.9	7.5
Self-Employed	103.0	103.5	112.4	-0.5	-9.4

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*
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TABLE 4

CANADIAN AND PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

	June 2015	May 2015	June 2014	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
EMPLOYMENT ('000)					
Canada	18,314.6	18,110.5	18,141.9	204.1	172.7
Newfoundland & Labrador	249.1	237.1	248.5	12.0	0.6
Prince Edward Island	79.2	74.3	80.6	4.9	-1.4
Nova Scotia	460.9	453.1	460.8	7.8	0.1
New Brunswick	364.0	356.4	371.1	7.6	-7.1
Quebec	4,185.3	4,141.1	4,168.2	44.2	17.1
Ontario	7,065.8	6,998.0	6,971.2	67.8	94.6
Manitoba	646.1	640.1	636.2	6.0	9.9
Saskatchewan	589.1	582.7	581.6	6.4	7.5
Alberta	2,338.3	2,324.3	2,317.0	14.0	21.3
British Columbia	2,336.9	2,303.4	2,306.8	33.5	30.1
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)					
Canada	6.5	7.1	6.7	-0.6	-0.2
Newfoundland & Labrador	10.7	13.9	10.4	-3.2	0.3
Prince Edward Island	7.1	10.3	6.1	-3.2	1.0
Nova Scotia	7.0	8.8	8.3	-1.8	-1.3
New Brunswick	9.5	10.2	8.1	-0.7	1.4
Quebec	7.5	7.6	7.3	-0.1	0.2
Ontario	6.4	6.9	7.4	-0.5	-1.0
Manitoba	4.9	5.8	4.7	-0.9	0.2
Saskatchewan	4.2	5.3	3.3	-1.1	0.9
Alberta	5.6	6.2	4.6	-0.6	1.0
British Columbia	5.6	6.4	5.8	-0.8	-0.2

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TABLE 5

CANADIAN AND PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

(Seasonally Adjusted)

	June 2015	May 2015	June 2014	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
EMPLOYMENT ('000)					
Canada	17,947.4	17,953.8	17,771.3	-6.4	176.1
Newfoundland & Labrador	237.1	232.8	235.5	4.3	1.6
Prince Edward Island	73.0	72.5	73.9	0.5	-0.9
Nova Scotia	446.4	446.7	445.9	-0.3	0.5
New Brunswick	348.2	351.7	354.5	-3.5	-6.3
Quebec	4,075.5	4,108.8	4,049.7	-33.3	25.8
Ontario	6,945.7	6,931.7	6,853.5	14.0	92.2
Manitoba	636.1	635.4	626.4	0.7	9.7
Saskatchewan	576.1	575.4	569.0	0.7	7.1
Alberta	2,302.5	2,307.5	2,279.7	-5.0	22.8
British Columbia	2,306.6	2,291.2	2,283.3	15.4	23.3
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)					
Canada	6.8	6.8	7.0	0.0	-0.2
Newfoundland & Labrador	12.3	13.8	11.9	-1.5	0.4
Prince Edward Island	11.1	11.0	9.9	0.1	1.2
Nova Scotia	8.0	8.8	9.0	-0.8	-1.0
New Brunswick	10.8	9.6	9.4	1.2	1.4
Quebec	8.0	7.6	8.1	0.4	-0.1
Ontario	6.5	6.5	7.3	0.0	-0.8
Manitoba	5.3	5.7	5.1	-0.4	0.2
Saskatchewan	4.7	4.9	3.8	-0.2	0.9
Alberta	5.7	5.8	4.8	-0.1	0.9
British Columbia	5.8	6.1	6.1	-0.3	-0.3

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TABLE 6

SUB-PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS

(3 Month Moving Average)

	June 2015	May 2015	June 2014	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
CANADIAN CITIES UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)					
St. John's	6.6	6.8	6.7	-0.2	-0.1
Halifax	6.8	7.1	5.8	-0.3	1.0
Saint John	7.6	8.2	8.5	-0.6	-0.9
Quebec	4.1	4.5	5.9	-0.4	-1.8
Montreal	8.8	8.6	8.2	0.2	0.6
Ottawa-Gatineau	6.6	6.5	7.0	0.1	-0.4
Toronto	7.1	7.1	8.2	0.0	-1.1
Greater Sudbury	7.5	7.6	7.1	-0.1	0.4
Winnipeg	5.9	6.1	5.7	-0.2	0.2
Regina	4.0	4.5	3.6	-0.5	0.4
Saskatoon	5.5	5.5	3.8	0.0	1.7
Calgary	6.3	6.0	5.4	0.3	0.9
Edmonton	6.2	6.8	5.7	-0.6	0.5
Vancouver	6.1	6.2	5.6	-0.1	0.5
Victoria	5.9	5.9	5.4	0.0	0.5
SASKATCHEWAN ECONOMIC REGIONS EMPLOYMENT ('000)					
Regina-Moose Mountain	183.4	180.9	182.0	2.5	1.4
Swift Current-Moose Jaw	55.6	55.4	52.5	0.2	3.1
Saskatoon-Biggar	199.9	196.3	199.5	3.6	0.4
Yorkton-Melville	38.5	38.3	39.3	0.2	-0.8
Prince Albert & Northern	103.1	101.3	100.5	1.8	2.6

Note: All data in this table are three month moving averages, ending in the month specified in the table. For example, the data for July are an average of the three months ending in July (May, June and July)

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TABLE 7

SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS BY ABORIGINAL IDENTITY FOR POPULATION 15 YEARS AND OLDER

(3 Month Moving Average)

	June 2015	May 2015	June 2014	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
TOTAL POPULATION					
Labour Force ('000)	609.2	601.8	596.4	7.4	12.8
Employed ('000)	580.1	571.6	573.9	8.5	6.2
Unemployed ('000)	29.1	30.2	22.5	-1.1	6.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.8	5.0	3.8	-0.2	1.0
Participation Rate (%)	70.8	70.0	70.1	0.8	0.7
Employment Rate (%)	67.4	66.5	67.4	0.9	0.0
NON-ABORIGINAL					
Labour Force ('000)	558.1	551.8	547.5	6.3	10.6
Employed ('000)	535.2	527.1	530.7	8.1	4.5
Unemployed ('000)	22.8	24.7	16.8	-1.9	6.0
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.1	4.5	3.1	-0.4	1.0
Participation Rate (%)	71.3	70.5	70.6	0.8	0.7
Employment Rate (%)	68.3	67.4	68.5	0.9	-0.2
ABORIGINAL					
Labour Force ('000)	51.1	50.0	48.9	1.1	2.2
Employed ('000)	44.8	44.5	43.2	0.3	1.6
Unemployed ('000)	6.3	5.5	5.7	0.8	0.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	12.3	11.0	11.6	1.3	0.7
Participation Rate (%)	66.2	64.9	64.4	1.3	1.8
Employment Rate (%)	58.1	57.8	57.0	0.3	1.1
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Labour Force ('000)	18.6	18.4	17.7	0.2	0.9
Employed ('000)	15.0	15.3	15.2	-0.3	-0.2
Unemployed ('000)	3.7	3.1	2.6	0.6	1.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	19.7	16.7	14.4	3.0	5.3
Participation Rate (%)	57.3	56.6	55.2	0.7	2.1
Employment Rate (%)	46.0	47.1	47.3	-1.1	-1.3
MÉTIS					
Labour Force ('000)	32.3	31.5	30.9	0.8	1.4
Employed ('000)	29.7	29.1	27.8	0.6	1.9
Unemployed ('000)	2.6	2.4	3.1	0.2	-0.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.0	7.7	10.0	0.3	-2.0
Participation Rate (%)	72.8	71.2	71.0	1.6	1.8
Employment Rate (%)	67.0	65.7	63.8	1.3	3.2

Notes:

1. The Labour Force Survey collects data on the Saskatchewan civilian, non-institutional, off-reserve population. Beginning in April 2004, questions were added to the survey allowing for the self-identification of Aboriginal identity for Saskatchewan respondents.
2. The North American Indian and Métis categories are single responses only. 'Other' is omitted due to insufficient responses.
3. All data in this table are three month moving averages, ending in the month specified in the table. For example, the data for July are an average of the three months ending in July (May, June and July)
4. Caution should be used when interpretting results. Small sample sizes can result in large standard errors.

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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